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TAGS: PORG, TSPA, SA

SUBJECT: SAUDI INQUIRY ABOUT ACCEDING TO OUTER SPACE
TREATY

1. MFA OFFICIAL THIS MORNING (23 AUGUST) CALLED EMBASSY TO INQUIRE HOW SAG COULD ACCEDE TO THE TREATY GOVERNING THE EXPLORATION AND USE OF OUTER SPACE. (18 UST 2410; TIAS 6347; 610 UNTS 205). SPECIFICALLY, MFA OFFICIAL WANTED TO KNOW IF NOTIFICATION TO ONE OF THE THREE DEPOSITORY STATES IS SUFFICIENT FOR ACCESSION. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, BESIDES THE UNITED STATES THE OTHER TWO DEPOSITORY POWERS ARE GREAT BRITAIN AND THE SOVIET UNION.

2. IN FORMULATING A REPLY PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT SAUDI ARABIA DOES NOT RPT NOT HAVE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND WOULD THEREFORE NOT WISH TO SET A PRECEDENT IN DEALING WITH MOSCOW.
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